

benefits from the dedication of these individuals.

**PATRICK JOSEPH DEVLIN, JR.
MAKES HIS MARK ON THE WORLD**

HON. BOB ETHERIDGE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 14, 2000

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate a member of my staff Mr. Patrick Devlin and his wife Helen on the birth of their first child, Master Patrick Joseph Devlin, Jr. Patrick was born on Saturday, November 11, 2000 and weighed 6 pounds and 14 ounces. Faye joins me in wishing Pat and Helen great happiness during this very special time in their lives.

Incidentally, Helen is a member of my colleague from Kentucky Mr. LEWIS' staff and I know he joins me in celebrating this new addition to both of our extended families.

As a father of three, I know the immeasurable pride and rewarding challenge that children bring into your life. Their innocence keeps you young-at-heart. Through their inquiring minds and wide-eyed wonder, they show you the world in a fresh, new way and change your perspective on life. A little miracle, a new baby holds all the potential of what human beings can achieve.

In this vein, I welcome young Patrick into the world and wish Pat and Helen all the best as they raise him.

**A TRIBUTE HONORING MR.
ROBERT DOYLE STOCK**

HON. GRACE F. NAPOLITANO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 14, 2000

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a very special American citizen, Mr. Robert Doyle Stock of Norwalk, California, who passed away on November 5, 2000. Mr. Stock, a devoted family man, who led an exemplary life of service to family and country, deserves our praise and gratitude.

Bob Stock was a man of great character. Born on January 13, 1927 in Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, his family moved to California after the passing of his father, when Bob was still a child. Once in California, Mr. Stock attended Downey Junior High and later moved on to South Gate High School.

In 1944, at the age of seventeen, Mr. Stock joined the United States Marine Corps. He served as a rifleman in the Baker Assault Company 1st battalion, 22nd Marines, 6th Division and actively served in the invasion of Okinawa towards the end of hostilities in the Pacific Theater.

On his return stateside, Mr. Stock married Mildred Evelyn Dvorak on June 21, 1947. Bob and Mildred bought their first home in Norwalk in 1949, and raised nine children; Becky, Colleen, Bill, Roberta, Cathy, Susanna, John, Richard and Robert.

Mr. Stock was always proud to belong to the Greatest Generation which fought for the triumph of freedom over tyranny during World War II. A proud Irishman, he enjoyed reading,

politics, remodeling his home, hunting, fishing and camping. Of particular interest to Bob was the Civil War, as evidenced by his collection of books and memorabilia that filled his den.

On Sunday, November 5 of this year, Bob left us while sitting in his den, on his favorite chair, while surrounded by his loving wife, children and grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join with me in paying tribute to Robert D. Stock, honorable citizen of the United States, proud American veteran and patriot, devoted husband, father and grandfather. To his devoted wife Millie, my dear friend and neighbor, I extend my sincerest sympathy and pray for God's blessings in abundance upon her and her family.

**STATEWIDE HONORS GIVEN TO
LEXINGTON, MISSOURI**

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 14, 2000

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, let me take this means to congratulate Mayor Tom Hayes and the residents of Lexington, Missouri, for recently being honored by the Missouri Department of Economic Development.

Each year, the Missouri Department of Economic Development acknowledges community leaders and cities throughout the Show-Me State for their efforts in bolstering local community development. The Department's Missouri Community Betterment program, which is the oldest, continuous state-sponsored community improvement project in the nation, is designed to encourage communities to strengthen development ventures and create more jobs for Missourians.

In 2000, a number of Missouri's towns were honored at the 37th Annual Missouri Community Betterment Conference. One of the municipalities to receive statewide acclaim is my hometown of Lexington, Missouri, which received the 2nd place state award in its city category, the 2nd place state award in its category for Youth Leadership, and the coveted designation of "All Missouri Certified City".

Mr. Speaker, I am proud that the people of Lexington under the leadership of Mayor Tom Hayes have worked to improve economic development and ensure employment for those individuals who reside in Lexington and the surrounding area. I am certain that my colleagues in the House of Representatives will join me in honoring these fine Americans for receiving these well-deserved awards.

**CHRISTINA TORRICELLI AND THE
FOOD DEPOT**

HON. TOM UDALL

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 14, 2000

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding individual and a friend, Christina Torricelli. I would like to recognize the dedication and hard work rendered by Ms. Torricelli and her staff at the Food Depot in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Their intense and tireless efforts and commitment to

alleviate hunger in New Mexico have resulted in feeding over 30,000 individuals a year in the northern part of my State. Over half of these individuals are under the age of 18.

In 1993, a study conducted by Tufts University estimated that New Mexico was second only to Mississippi in the percent of citizens that go hungry on a regular basis. This study initiated conversations between existing hunger relief organizations about accessing more food donations to address the increasing need for emergency food. As a result, The Food Depot was created. Today, the organization has established community partnerships with over fifty-five non-profit programs with services available, but not limited to homeless shelters, soup kitchens, low income families, the elderly, the physically/mentally challenged, disadvantaged children, those recovering from violence, and the homeless due to illness.

I must pay the Food Depot an overdue compliment on their actions during the devastating Cerro Grande fire, which occurred earlier this year in my district. This fire left hundreds homeless, but because of the labor of the Food Depot, they did not go hungry. The third day of the fire Ms. Torricelli and other staff members were up at 3 a.m., exhausted and trying to unload trucks of food and water donations. She asked a television station to broadcast an appeal for help. Within 15 minutes she had an additional 20 volunteers.

The Food Depot has ensured that I am fully informed on issues related to ending hunger. Ms. Torricelli is especially fond of my colleague, Representative TONY HALL, who has done so much for the issues of ending poverty and hunger.

Mr. Speaker, Christina Torricelli is dedicated to improving life and ending hunger for New Mexico. I have tremendous respect for her. Although many view Christina's deeds as transcendent of human kindness, to her it is just a way of life.

YATES TRIBUTE

HON. JUANITA MILLENDER-McDONALD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 14, 2000

Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD. Mr. Speaker, the late great Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. once said, "Every man must decide if he will walk in the light of creative altruism or the darkness of destructive selfishness. This is the judgment. Life's most urgent and persistent question is what are you doing for others?" If service is the judgment, then heaven's gates have greeted the late Congressman Sidney R. Yates with open arms. Mr. Yates spent his life tirelessly, shamelessly, and unselfishly advocating for others who would have otherwise gone unheard. Our country would be a much better place if we all did.

Although our nation is a great one, it has not . . . because our laws and our statesmen, have not, always served the interests of certain persons and certain disciplines very well. However, in his more than sixty years of public service, Sidney Yates always did. I applaud him as a protector of the arts, a protector of the environment, a protector of children, and a protector of civil rights. His advocacy in these areas has never wavered.